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## **News**

#### EU-189 Isle of Rockall -update

"Update from the vessel. They have been unable to land on Rockall to recover equipment due to weather conditions. They are returning to the mainland. The team will re-plan for the next recover attempt."

#### 3D2BJ Fiji and Rotuma -update

BJ reports there seems to be some confusion about his operating QTH. If you go to this site and find the "red dot" you will know exactly which island he is operating from. His plan is to depart Rotuma on 07/19 at 0600 UTC and sail to Fiji mainland. He will try to stop in the Mamanuca Group and operate from there on his way to Vuda Marina, Viti Levu.

#### **W8S Swains Island -update**

From October 4, 2023 until October 17, 2023 an international team of 10 operators will be active from Swains Island as W8S. QRV on all HF bands in CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY with 6 stations from 2 separated camps. The base camp (Green Camp) will be established in the area of the old village. It is also the place where the landing will take place. The base camp will accommodate the support team, where we will have our meals and where we can relax when not on duty. It will also have a shower and toilet facility. Sleeping tents for the operators will be next to the base camp. We will have two operating sites, i.e. Re Camp and Blue Camp. These two camps will be separated approx. 400 meters. A temporary operating site will be established more to the east, from where we will do our 6m EME operation.

https://swains2020.lldxt.eu/the-plan/

#### **Amateur Radio Prefix Maps 2023**

A fantastic piece of work by Sal, 9K2GV. Many pay to read books do not cover maps and grid references in such detail so this really is a very good resource. Please note the download is a hefty 427Mb and the pdf sheet runs to 394 pages but is worth it. The file expires in 7 days time. <a href="https://www.dx-world.net/amateur-radio-prefix-maps-2023/">https://www.dx-world.net/amateur-radio-prefix-maps-2023/</a>

#### **CB0ZA Juan Fernandez Island -update**

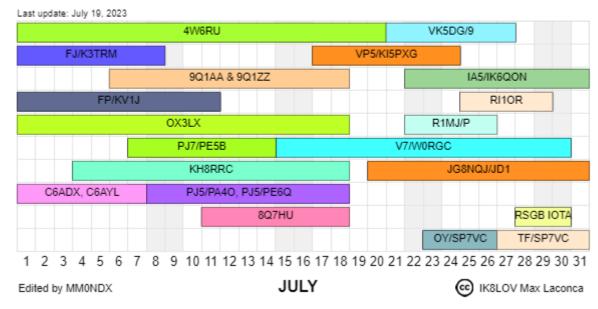
One of the objectives in this DXpedition is to give the opportunity to contact Juan Fernandez island on as many bands and modes as possible. For this reason the team are implementing 2 VHF stations; one for 6 and other for 2 meters to try to make QSOs in EME mode.

#### XW0LP Laos -update by Simon

'I have retired now to live again in Luang Prabang. I am operational on 20 metres FT8 and I hope to be operational soon also on 40m, 15m, 12m and 10m (80m, 30m and 6m are now not authorised for use in Laos). Top band operation is a challenge from my small garden! NOTE: If you have a recent QSO with my station, please be patient for the QSL as I am currently reprinting these! Please use Club Log OQRS for all QSLs. I no longer use LoTW (too much hassle when

# **DXCC Timeline**





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## This week on air

This can change daily, please visit <a href="https://www.dx-world.net/">https://www.dx-world.net/</a> for updates.

**3D2, FIJI and ROTUMA** by BJ WA7WJR: 'BJ reports there is another weather system moving through Rotuma and Fiji this week with winds in excess of 35 knots. It looks like the next weather window for him to sail from Rotuma to Viti Levu will be July 17th or 18th. The passage will take 4-6 days. So, it looks like he'll be on island for another week. Meanwhile, he is looking at visiting the Mamanuca Group (IOTA OC-121) possibly sometime in July/August.'

**6Y, JAMAICA** Pavel, CO7WT is operating as call/6Y until begin August. Pavel is on a business trip but is QRV during his spare time from 40 to 6 meter using SSB, FT4/8. QSL via IK2DUW, direct or bureau, LoTW.

**9J, ZAMBIA** Eddy, OE3SEU, is now back in Zambia with his camping van and operates as 9J2SEU/p, mostly via QO-100. Confirmations via LoTW.

**C2, NAURU** Phil, FK1TS updates he will be back on Nauru around July 22. 'I'll be starting a new job, radio will be secondary, and I also don't know where I will be staying yet. But I'd hope to be on the air by the start of August 2023 in my spare time and weekends. Antenna wise, lets wait and see.'

**CN, MOROCCO** Michel, F5LRL is operating from near Kenitra as CN2DX until August 16. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QRV mainly in his morning and evening. QSL via home call.

**HL, SOUTH KOREA** Look for Wouter PB1WL as HL4/call until August 16. QSL via home call. **JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 is once again operating on HF using CW with some FT8. QRV until end October. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

## OY, FAROE

## **TF, ICELAND**

Mek SP7VC and Kasia SQ7OYL will be operating as OY/SP7VC during July 23-26 and as TF/SP7VC during July 27 and August 17. They are travelling by motorhome so are able to take all their needed amateur radio equipment. They're planning to be active on 14 MHz bands and in the VHF segment on 50, 70 and 144MHz bands with amplifiers.

PJ4, BONAIRE Robert, PD2V is once again active from Kralendijk until August 11. Operation

during his spare time on 40, 30 and 20 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**TG, GUATEMALA** Dennis, KT8X will be QRV in 'holiday-style' as TG4/call between July 23 and August 4. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW and FT8. QSL via LoTW only.

**TR, GABON** Roland, F8EN is once again active as TR8CR until July 31. Operation on HF using CW. QSL via F6AJA.

**V7, MARSHALL ISL** Bob, W0RGC will be operating for the next 2 weeks as V7/call. Operation on 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

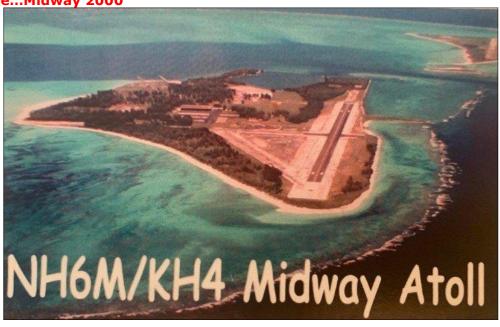
**VK9N, NORFOLK ISL** David, VK5DG will be QRV as call/9 during July 21-27. Operation using satellites only with a focus on Greencube IO-117, LEOs AO-91, Tevel series, PO-101, RS-44 and AO-7. Full details here <a href="https://www.qrz.com/db/VK5DG/9">https://www.qrz.com/db/VK5DG/9</a>

**VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS** Shawn, KI5PXG is QRV as VP5/call until July 24. Operation during his spare time on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**Z2, ZIMBABWE** Eddy, OE3SEU is active as Z21MV, mostly via QO-100 until end August. QSL via LOTW.

**Z8, SOUTH SUDAN** After a short break, Diya YI1DZ will again be active from South Sudan as Z81D starting mid-July. QRV on FT8. QSL via OM3JW.

Back in time...Midway 2000



# **IOTA**

## This week on air

#### **ASIA**

**AS-067 Uji Isl** Kenji, JA4GXS will be operating on July 22. QRV on 40, 30, 20 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.

**AS-079 Miyako Isl** Take, JS6RRR (also JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 & JR8YLY/6) will be active during July 20 and August 2. QRV from 80 to 6 meter using SSB, CW, FT8 using various calls mentioned on different modes. QSL via QRZ.com info.

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-003 Sao Migel Isl** Chris DL2MDU and Heike DL3HUDare QRV as CT8/calls until July 26. QSI via homecalls, direct or bureau.

**EU-016 Ven Isl** Look for 9A7YY, 9A/S53Z, 9A/S54W, 9A/S58MU, 9A/S50O and 9A/S50X to be active from July 24 and August 1. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB, an entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via the bureau or direct via homecalls.

**EU-028 Elba** Domenico IK1MNF is active as call/IA5 until end September. Operation from 20 to 6 meter. The equipment consists of verticals and a FinnFet-PA. QSL via home call.

**EU-028 Giglio Isl** Francesco, IK6QON will be active as IA5/call between July 22 and July 31. Activity in 'holiday-style' on HF using CW and SSB. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. **EU-030 Bornholm Isl** Ron, DL1RNW will be active as OZ/call from July 23 until August 5.

Activity on HF and 6 meter with an entry in the IOTA contest. QSL via home call.

**EU-064 Ile Noirmoutier** Look for DL1KVN as F/call/P until July 28. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW and SSB during his spare time. A one day trolley trip is included to Ile d'yeu EU-064.

**EU-065 Ouessant Isl** F4FET, F4HHL, F5RAB and F8GGV will participate in the IOTA Contest as TM5K from Ouessant Island. Before the contest they will operate SSB, CW, RTTY and FT8 from 80 to 6 meter. QSL via F8GGV.

**EU-066 Solovetsky Isl** A team with RA1QY, R3XDA, RZ3EC, RU3EG, RU5D & UA3EDQ will be active as RI1OR between July 25 and July 29. Operation as R3RRC/1 also from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via RZ3EC.

**EU-117 Zapadnyy Berezovyy** Look for R1MJ/P, R1CBL/P, RA1AGJ/P and R1BET/P to be active from Western Birch Island (Zapadnyy Berezovyy) EU-117 in the Gulf of Finland during July 22-26, 2023. Activity to coincide with the 30th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club (RCC).

**EU-165 San Pietro Isl** Giuseppe, IK5WWA is operating as IM0C until July 30. Operation from 40 to 2 meter. QSL via home call.

**EU-184 Hailuoto Isl** Jarno, OH6NJ will be active as call/8 between July 24 and July 31. Activity on the higher bands using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call

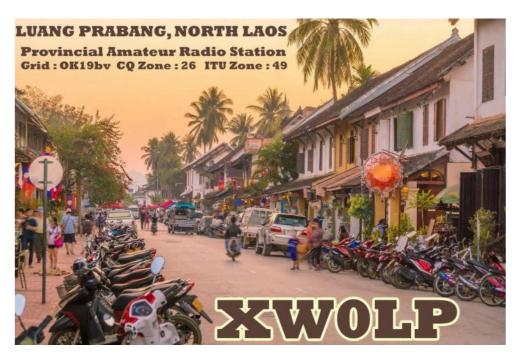
#### **NORTH AMERICA**

NA-067 Ocracoke Isl Jon, WB8YJF will be active between July 22 and August 4. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via home call.

NA-176 Petite-Ile-au-Marteau Team VB2M will be operating between July 22 and July 30, with an entry in the IOTA contest. Operation nonstop from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

#### **OCEANIA**

**OC-067 Huahine Isl** Didier, F6BCW is operating as FO/call from Huahine Island OC-067. Activity until October from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call and LoTW.



# Coming up soon

### **ASIA**

**AS-060 Paegya Isl** Members of the Gwangju DX Club (6L0NJ) will be active as D73G from Paegya Island, AS-060 during July 28-30, 2023. Activity on 160-6m; CW, SSB and FT8/FT4. Participation in IOTA contest. QSL via HL4CCM, LoTW.

**AS-150 Lingshan Isl** Team consisting of BI4KKC, BA4KR, BG4NMT, BG4OXQ & BA4MY will be active during the IOTA contest as BY4JN. They will use a combination of antennas and QRV on 40-6m also outwith the contest; CW, SSB & FT8. QSL via BA4MY, Club Log OQRS.

#### **EUROPE**

EU-016 Dalmatie South Group Between July 27 and August 2, a team with IK6JNH, IK6VXO,

IZ6TSA, I6CRK, IU6KKW, IK6PTH, IT9RGY will be active as 9A8DV for participation in the IOTA contest.

**EU-032 Oleron Isl** Larry F6FVY and Alain F6BFH will be active as TM5OL during the RSGB IOTA Contest (29-30 July). QSL via F6AJA.

**EU-038 Texel Isl** Marco DJ4MH, Chris DK2CL, Kolja DK5KK, Zik DK8ZZ and Wil PE3T will be active as PE55TEX during the IOTA contest. QSL confirmed automatically via bureau and LoTW. **EU-073 San Pietro Isl** A team will be active as IJ7DX (IZ7AUH, IZ7LDC, IK7WDS, IW7DOL, IW7DMH, IU7EHF and IZ8EGM) during July 28-30 during the IOTA contest. Also QRV as IJ7SAT on QO-100, LEO and MEO. QSL via IZ7AUH, Club Log OQRS.

**EU-083 Gallinara Isl** A team will be active as IP1X (IU1JCZ, I1NVU, IK1CJO, IK1NEG and IK1QBT) during the IOTA contest July 29-30. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via IU1JCZ, Club Log OQRS.

**EU-137 Ven Isl** A Danish team will be QRV as SM7/OZ5BAL during July 28-30. An entry in the IOTA contest is included. QSL via OZ0J, direct or bureau, Club Log.

#### **OCEANIA**

**OC-129 Kalanggaman** A team with DU7OK, DU7LEG, 4F7ETO, DV7LEQ, DW7PGZ and DW7FBH will be operating as DX7EVM/5 during the IOTA contest. QSL via QRZ.com information.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

## THE NEWCOMERS

**3B9, RODRIGUES ISL** Kazu, M0CFW (JK3GAD) will once again be active as 3B9KW during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Activity before/after contest (November 19 to December 1) as 3B9/M0CFW. QSL via LoTW.

**5U, NIGER** The 2023 F6KOP DXpedition will take place in Niger (5U) in October. As in every year the team will be composed of a dozen operators of various nationalities. We will be active on as many authorized bands and modes including QO-100. Detailed information will be provided later. Please note that F6KOP was initially supposed to go to Guyana (8R) in October. But in order not to short-circuit the young German operators who have announced they will be going there at the beginning of 2024, we have chosen to change our destination.

**T32, EAST KIRIBATI** Ken, KH6QJ will once again be operating as T32AZ from Crystal Lodge between September 1 and October 17. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.



**V6, MICRONESIA** The Yokohama DX Club (YDXC) will operate from the Federated States of Micronesia as V6SX during October 25 through 31, 2023, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the club's founding. They will participate in CQWW DX Contest SSB. YDXC was founded in 1971, and the celebration of the 50th anniversary was postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## THE REMINDERS

Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH

KHO, MARIANA ISL Rota Island August 31-September 14 as KHO/call

KH2, GUAM September 16-30 as KH2/call

**V7, MARSHALL ISL** October 3-15 (call pending)

V6, MICRONESIA October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

**4W, TIMOR LESTE** A large team of operators will be operating as 4W8X in November 2023. Operation 24/7 on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. Also EME 144Mhz, 432Mhz and 1296 Mhz. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included.

**5W, SAMOA** Livio 9A7Y, Mladen 9A2NA, Borut S50B and Rolando 9A3MR will be active as 5W0LM between October 1 and October 14. Operation from 1.8 to 50 Mhz using CW, SSB and FT8. QTH is Malololelei near Apia. QSL via 9A3MR.

**5X, UGANDA** Thomas, DL7BO will be active as 5X7O from Kampala. Dates not yet known. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DJ6TF. More to follow.

**8Q, MALDIVES** Vincent, HB9VCJ will be active from the Cocoon Maldives Resort, Ookolhufinolhu, Lhaviyani Atoll, Maldives as 8Q7VJ. Dates not yet known, but the license (issued by Communications Authority of Maldives) stipulates the period May 20 to August 8. More to follow.

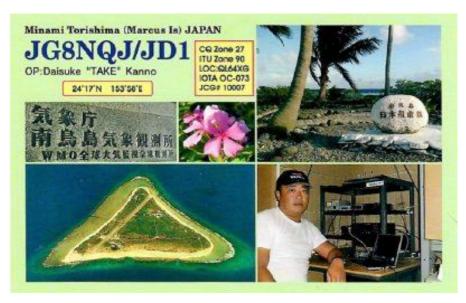
**8R, GUYANA** "Four young ambitious DXers ranging in age from 20 to 25 years old" (namely Sven DJ4MX, Philipp DK6SP, Tomi HA8RT and Jamie M0SDV) will be active from Guyana during February 14-24, 2024 (callsign TBA). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. The Northern California DX Foundation will provide \$5,000 in financial support for the expedition, as they "want to encourage the next generation of DXpeditioners". NCDXF wants also "to let any planned DXpedition know that, if they request funding from NCDXF and we provide a grant, we will also underwrite the costs of a younger (ages 20-35) person/s on the trip". <a href="https://8r-2024.com/">https://8r-2024.com/</a>

**9Q, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO** Vlad, OK2WX will be active as 9Q2WX between August 20 and September 9. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IZ8CCW. <a href="https://www.mdxc.support/9q3wx/">https://www.mdxc.support/9q3wx/</a>

**9U, BURUNDI** Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

**CEOZ, JUAN FERNANDEZ** A team with Nick XQ1KZ, Pablo CE1KV, Willy XQ3SA, Willy XQ3SK, Mike AB5EB, Ez HI3R, Otis NP4G, Zoli HA1AG, Trey N5KO and Marco CE1EW (Team Leader) will be operating as CB0ZA during February 13-20, 2024. Plans are to be QRV from the Juan Fernandez National Park CA-0022 from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB, digi and EME (6 and 2 meter). QSL via HA1AG. <a href="http://cb0za.com/">http://cb0za.com/</a>

CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.



**D4, CAPE VERDE** Harald, DF2WO will again be active from Praia, Santiago Island as D44TWO during September 2-17. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 & QO-100 SAT.

**E6, NIUE** Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

**E6, NIUE** Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM between October 10 and October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpedition to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

**FOO, AUSTRAL ISL** Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX5G in April 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW. https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/

FOO, CLIPPERTON ISL The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. <a href="https://clip.pdxg.net/">https://clip.pdxg.net/</a>

**FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Look for TX6D (DL7DF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7BO and DL7UFR) from Tahiti between October 2 and October 15. Activity from 160 to 10 meter (60 meter also) using CW, SSB and digi. <a href="http://www.dl7df.de/fo/">http://www.dl7df.de/fo/</a>

**FO/M MARQUESAS ISL** A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active as TX7L from Hiva Oa Island during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via F6EXV or Club Log OQRS.

**FT/G GLORIOSO ISL** Mark, FH4VVK will be active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL later this year. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. A website is under construction.

FT/X, KERGUELEN It's apparently no secret (well, it was to us!) that Thierry F6CUK of FT8WW fame plans (emphasis on plans) to go with a second operator to the Kerguelen Islands in late 2024. Wait and see for more..

**FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19,the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <a href="http://www.to5t.com/">http://www.to5t.com/</a>



**FS, ST MARTIN** The next TO9W will take place from November 26 until December 8. The 2023 team includes K9NU, N9EP, FS4WBS, W9AP and K9EL. Operation on all bands and all modes with focus on low bands and CW. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Real-time upload via Club Log, LoTW or via W9ILY direct. <a href="https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm">https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm</a> **FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Tom, KH0/KC0W informs: due to Covid this trip will be postponed.

As soon the situation changes Tom will let us know when he departs Saipan.

**H4, SOLOMON ISL** A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. <a href="http://www.h44wa.com/">http://www.h44wa.com/</a>

**H40, TEMOTU** The Intrepid DX Group has released their next DXpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between October 26 and November 9. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. <a href="Temotu 2023 DXpedition - Intrepid">Temotu 2023 DXpedition - Intrepid</a> DX Group (intrepid-dx.com)

**J3, GRENADA** A team of Belgian low band DXers with Ghis ON5NT, Marc ON4MA and Karel ON5TN will be QRV during March 4-16, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. More to follow. **KH8, SWAINS ISL** The W8S DXpedition to Swains Island is now set to take place on October 4 - 17. The team (DJ9RR, DL2AMD, DL6JGN, KO8SCA, NG7M, PA2KW, PA3EWP, PA4WM, PA5X and PG5M) will operate CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY on all bands with six stations from two operating sites. "Due to Covid and the global economic situation, our costs have increased considerably compared to 2020", PA3EWP says. The total cost has increased to EUR 125,000, and donations will be gratefully accepted.

**P4, ARUBA** John, W2GD will once again be active as P40W between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest focus on WARC bands and 160 CW. QSL via LoTW or N2MM.

Senkaku Islands, AS-194 (disputed)



**PJ6, SABA** PJ6DX callsign recently added to the QRZ.com database by Tom KH0/KC0W. This will be a CW DXpedition. More to follow.

**PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV in 'holiday-style' between November 20-29 as PJ7EE. Activity on HF primarily on CW using a vertical antenna. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

**S7, SEYCHELLES** A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls.

**T2, TUVALU** The German DXpedition Team will be operating as T2C between October 10 and October 30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA and LoTW. DXpedition Tuvalu T2C - 2023 - Welcome (mydx.de)

**T8, PALAU** Yoshi JR3QFB (T88JH), Miyo JO3LVG (T88MK) and Hiro JM1LIG (T88FM) will be active from the Palau Radio Club / Shack during September 12 and September 18. QRV on HF bands using various modes. QSL via homecalls.

**V3, BELIZE** Mark DK8MM and Uwe DL8UD will be active from Maya Hill as V31XT and V31KO between September 6 and September 14. An entry in the WAE SSB contest is included as V30. QSL for V31XT via DL8MM, direct or bureau. QSL for V30 via DL8UD, direct or bureau.

**V4, ST KITTS** Once again, V47JA will be operating between August 28 and September 12. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB. QSL via W5JON direct or LoTW.

V6, MICRONESIA A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW. V6, MICRONESIA Miki, JJ2CJB will be operating as V63CB during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 28-29). QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

**VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL** Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI (both previously A35V, V6Z, VK9CZ, ZK2V) will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XGM during November 21 to December 5, 2023. Two stations active on SSB/CW. Also one station active on FT8 or FT4. Multi-two entry in the CQWW CW Contest 2023.

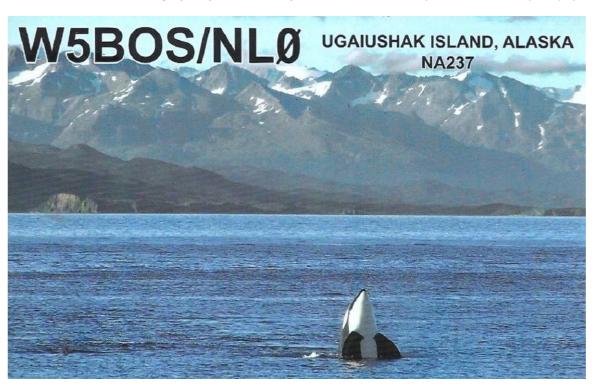
**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl sometime June 2024. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

**YJ, VANUATU** A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila from October 26 until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME. <a href="https://www.dxobsessed.org/">https://www.dxobsessed.org/</a>

YJ, VANUATU A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15. YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <a href="https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO">https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO</a>

**ZL7, CHATHAM ISL** Jacek, SP5EAQ is planning an one man operation as ZL7/call starting on October 20 for 2 weeks. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB only. Jacek mentions that any support from organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated as travel costs have reached an exorbitant level. He also asks you direct any questions to his email address listed on QRZ.com. The QTH in Waitangi (ZL7) has already been secured. <a href="http://chathams.sp7dgr.pl/">http://chathams.sp7dgr.pl/</a>



# **IOTA**

# **THE REMINDERS**

#### **AFRICA**

**AF-005 Santiago Isl** Harald, DF2WO will again be active from Praia, Santiago Island, AF-005 as D44TWO during September 2-17, 2023. QRV on 160-6m; CW, SSB, FT8 & QO-100 SAT.

## **ASIA**

**AS-039 Commander Isl** A team with R7AA, UA7A, UA6EX and RM0F will be QRV as RI0Z between August 18 and September 3. QSL via Club Log OQRS or via R7AA. https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/ri0z/

**AS-062 Shikotan Isl** Look for RI0FS by the Russian Robinson Club between August 9 and August 17. Last operation goes back in 2016. QSL via RN3RS. See their website for more details. <a href="https://www.rdxc.org/RRC/club e.htm">https://www.rdxc.org/RRC/club e.htm</a>

**AS-107 Samet Isl** E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was

originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

#### **EUROPE**

**EU-012 Fair Isle** Col MM0NDX and Jonathan MM0OKG will be active as MS0INT/P during August 25-28. This will be a lightweight DXpedition due to flight baggage restrictions. Last activated in 2015. With a population of just 55 people, Fair Isle is Britain's most remote inhabited island. Marooned halfway between the Shetland and Orkney archipelagos, this tiny dot of an island is often not shown on maps.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-220 Maniitsoq Isl** Joe, OZ0J will be operating between September 15 and September 21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter depending free space for antennas. Call is pending. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW or home call.

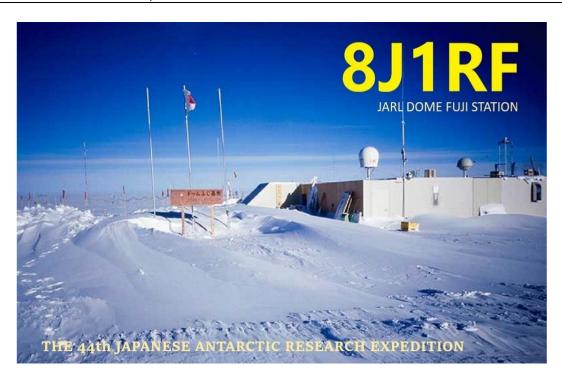
#### **OCEANIA**

**OC-011 Chuuk Isl** A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

## OC-155 Polap Atoll

#### **OC-299 Satawal Atoll**

By Cezar VE3LYC: 'Following my return from Fiji (OC-189), I re-engaged with my contact in FSM regarding the OC-155/299 project. Based on the results of our communication, I am happy to announce that we are now working to finalize the logistics of a trip to FSM coming October/November. Its detailed schedule will be announced on this website, in due course. Note that the original voyage included boat transportation from Chuuk to Yap and back, while the current plan is for separate boat transportation within Chuuk and Yap, respectively, and flying between the two FSM state capitals via Guam.'



# **Lighthouse**

**FR-0014 Berck-sur-Mer** DJ8EI, DL1DCT, DL8KR, DK5OPA, DL5KA and DJ5KX will be QRV under TM0BSM from the lighthouse in Berck-sur-Mer (France, FR-0014) from 16-21 August 2023. QSL via LotW. Beside QO-100 (CW/SSB) they will be also QRV on HF. Logs will be loaded on to QO-100 Club, Clublog & LOTW. No QSL Cards will be printed - Confirmation is only via LOTW.

# **Special calls**

## THE NEWCOMERS

CT, PORTUGAL CR6J operates around a motorcycling event in Faro from July 17 to 23 on 80-6m (CW, SSB, digital). QSL via CT1EHX. (TNX DXNL)

**F, FRANCE** F5LPY Bernard, F8EFU Phil, and F4IZC Steph draw attention to the Grand Est Mondial Air Ballons 2023 event with the callsign **TM23MAB**. QRV <u>from July 17 until 31</u> on 160-10m (CW, SSB, digital) and via QO-100. QSL via F5LPY (d/B), LoTW.

W, USA The W/VE Island QSO Party

Sponsored by the US Islands Awards Program (USI) www.usislands,org Last Saturday in August.

1200z 26 August - 0300z 27 August 2023. 15 Hours.

To promote the U.S. (USI) and Canadian (CIA) islands programs to amateurs worldwide. To promote verifiable amateur radio contacts with stations located on islands in the U.S. and Canada. W/VE island stations work everyone. Non-island stations work only W/VE islands stations. Single transmitter only, single or multiple operators. (Multiple operator island expedition may use additional call signs to maintain single transmitter rule).

## THE REMINDERS

**5H, TANZANIA 5H100TC** is the special callsign that TA1HZ, currently stationed in Tanzania and active as 5H8HZ, has been granted to use <u>during 2023</u> in celebration of the 100th anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

**9A, CROATIA** The special event station **9A150TESLA**, in cooperation with the Croatian Amateur Radio society and the Nikola Tesla Experience Centre, celebrates the 150th anniversary of Tesla's high school education during July. QSL via bureau or direct via 9A7R. (TNX DXNL)

**9A, CROATIA 9A66AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

**A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** The national ham organisation EARS runs the special event station A60AP with additional designators /0 to /15 to mark their country's astronaut programme:

QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/0 Op. A61Y A60AP/1 Op. A61M QSL: A61BK A60AP/2 Op. A61Q QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/3 Op. A61FK QSL: A61BK A60AP/4 Op. A61BK QSL: A61BK A60AP/5 Op. A61DD QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/6 Op. A61QQ QSL: A61BK Op. A61AY QSL: DIRECT Op. A65GC QSL: DIRECT A60AP/7 A60AP/8 A60AP/9 Op. A61ZX QSL: IZ8CLM Op. A65BR QSL: DIRECT A60AP/10 A60AP/11 Op. A61NN QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/12 Op. A65GD QSL: Direct A60AP/13 Op. A65GJ QSL: Direct A60AP/14 Op. A61FJ QSL: LZ1YE Op. A61DI QSL: EA7FTR A60AP/15

They remain active <u>until the end of August</u>. (TNX DXNL) For more information see: <a href="https://www.mbrsc.ae/service/astronaut">https://www.mbrsc.ae/service/astronaut</a> prog/

**DL**, **GERMANY** Special event callsign **DM23BUGA** is active <u>until October 8</u>. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. The suffix stands for "Bundesgartenschau", the biennial horticulture show and festival that this year will take place in Mannheim. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY DR45HAAN** is the special callsign for DARC's Ortsverband Haan (R24) to celebrate their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary <u>until September 30</u>. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL7ET. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** Special callsign **DLOSOP** will be active on 1-31 July for the 65<sup>th</sup> edition of the Sea of Peace Award (see https://dl0sop.darc.de/ for full details). QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or direct to DL4SVA. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign DB100RDF

is in use <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX) **F, FRANCE** French special callsigns to be activated for this year's 110th edition of the Tour de France include **TM110TDF** on 14 - 23 July (QSL via F8GGZ) and TM33TDF on 8-9 July (QSL via F6KUQ). (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** Franck, F4DTO, and Pattrick, F4GFE, mark the 350th anniversary of D'Artagnan's death with the callisgn **TM350DA** <u>until the end of September</u>. An award is also available: Bronze = QSOs on 3 bands, Silver = QSOs on 4 bands, Gold = QSOs on 5 bands, Platinum = QSOs on 6 bands For more information see grz.com. QSL via F4GFE (d/B).

On the scene with ZF9CW, Cayman Brac (new tower installed)



HK, COLOMBIA Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Colombian Navy (Armada de la Republica de Colombia) and the Battle of Lake Maracaibo (24 July 1823), several special callsigns will be in use on 22-24 July: 5K0ARC, 5K1ARC, 5K2ARC, 5K3ARC, 5K4ARC, 5K5ARC, 5K6ARC, 5K7ARC, 5K8ARC, 5K9ARC; 5K0CB, 5K1CB, 5K2CB, 5K3CB, 5K4CB, 5K5CB, 5K6CB, 5K7CB, 5K8CB, 5K9CB; 5K0BG. Look for activity on 80-10 metres CW, SSB, FT8, FT4. The event is organized by Liga Radio Bogota. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, qrz.com, Club Log, or via HK3LRB. (TNX 425DX)

- **HK, COLOMBIA** The Liga Radio Bogota commemorate the bicentennial of the Naval Battle of Lake Maracaibo and the 90th anniversary of the foundation of the Colombian Radio Amateurs League. QRV on July 22-24 as **5K200** and **5K90**. Awards will be available. (thanks Javier HK3EA)
- **I, ITALY IL3P** is a special callsign to be used <u>between 1 July and 30 September</u> from various locations in the Italian region of Veneto. On 28- 31 July team IL3P will be active from Pellestrina Island (EU-131), including participation in the IOTA Contest. QSL via IU3EDK, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** The ARI section Fidenza (www.arifidenza.it) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:
- July: II4SPZ; LA SPEZIA: experiments with the Italian military Navy (1897)
- <u>August</u>: **II4GAR**; GOLFO ARANCI (SS): Short Wave contact with Rocca di Papa (Rome) 1932) <u>September</u>: **II4CGD**; CASTEL GANDOLFO (ROME): inauguration of the microwave full - duplex system with the Vatican (1933)
- October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931) November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)
- <u>December</u>: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931) For QSL information see qrz.com. An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available.(TNX DXNL)
- LA, NORWAY LA100K is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX) LX, LUXEMBOURG LX90RTL is a special callsign celebrating the 90th anniversary since Radio Luxembourg made its first long wave broadcast. It will be used by various LX operators from 1 July <u>until the end of the year</u>. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via satellite. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. (TNX 425DX)
- LY, LITHUANIA Special callsigns LY1933DG, LY90DG, LY90FLY, LY90SD and LY90SG will be active on 1-31 July to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the ill-fated flight of Lithuanian pilots Steponas Darius and Stasys Girenas. On 15 July 1933 they attempted a nonstop flight from New York City to Kaunas in a small airplane named "Lituanica". After crossing the Atlantic Ocean, they crashed on 17 July when they were only 650 km short of their final destination. (TNX 425DX)
- **LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns <u>during 2023</u> to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ1015RW** (July and August), **LZ288MS** (September and October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at <a href="https://www.lz1kcp.com/">https://www.lz1kcp.com/</a>. (TNX 425DX)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE2XXM** and **OE5XXM** will be active <u>during July and September</u> around the international autumn fieldday in Gosau. QSL via bureau. For more information see qrz.com. (TNX DXNL)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE40XTU** is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary <u>during 2023</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM OQ95RCL** is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary <a href="mailto:throughout 2023">throughout 2023</a>. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see <a href="https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713">https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713</a> (TNX 425DX)
- **PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the callsign PA85TP <u>during 2023</u> and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsigns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ (<u>pd5enj@msn.com</u>). (TNX DXNL)
- **SM, SWEDEN 8580AA** is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on https://www.sk5aa.se/. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)
- **SP, POLAND** Special event stations **3Z90LOT, HF90LOT, SN90LOT, SO90LOT, SP90LOT** and **SQ90LOT** will be active on 1-31 July to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the ill-fated flight of the "Lituanica" (see LY above). See https://logsp.pzk.org.pl/a/lituanica/ for the certificate and more information. (TNX 425DX)
- **TA, TURKEY** Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey

(29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100, TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

UA, RUSSIA Celebrating the 30th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Club (R3RRC), several special callsigns are expected to be in use <a href="https://example.com/between1">between 1</a> and 31 July: R30RRC, RA30RR, RC30RR, RD30RR, RJ30RR, RK30RR, RL30RR, RM30RR, RO30RR, RT30RR, RU30RR, RV30RR, RW30RR, RX30RR, RZ30RR. Other stations joining the celebrations include DR30RRC, GB0RRC, HG30RRC, II9RRC, KH6RRC, KH8RRC, KL7RRC, LZ30RRC, OL30RRC and OM30RRC. (TNX 425DX)

**VE, CANADA VX7NA** is the special callsign for the Nanaimo Amateur Radio Association to celebrate its 75th anniversary <u>between 24 June and 24 July</u>. Main activity will be during the ARRL Field Day (24-25 June) and RAC Canada Day Contest (1 July). NARA is based on Vancouver Island (NA-036). QSL via VE7NA. (TNX 425DX)

**VE, CANADA** The third Youth on the Air (YOTA) summer camp for young radio amateurs aged 15-25 in the Americas (https://youthontheair.org/) will be held on 16-21 July at Carleton University in Ottawa, Ontario. Campers will operate special event station **VE3YOTA** during breaks between sessions. In addition, there will be dedicated operating times on the HF bands (17 and 18 July between 23 and 3 UTC) and satellites, as well as for a POTA activation (see qrz.com for the details). QSL via LoTW, or WOAAE. (TNX 425DX)

VK, AUSTRALIA VK100ZL celebrates the first trans-Tasmanian radio contact between New Zealand and Australia in 1923. QRV <u>until the end of 2023</u>. ZL100 is active <u>until July 25</u>.

VK, AUSTRALIA VI100MB is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until <u>25 February 2024</u>. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA VI75G** is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA VI10VKFF** is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (https://www.wwffaustralia.com/). It will be used from Australian Parks <u>until end 2023</u>. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

**YU, SERBIA** The Serbian Amateur Radio Union in the Vojvodina celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the callsign **YU75SRV** throughout 2023. QSL via Club Log, eQSL, qrz.com.